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- Claims: 1-21
- Cited Literature: 1 and 2
- Remarks:

That "joint purchasing" services are used as a sales technique in electronic commerce is well known, as represented by Cited Literature 1.

Furthermore, Cited Literature 2 discloses an invention whereby it is possible to receive requests for product orders from customers connected on-line, and display the product price and terms of payment when the received request is responded to.

Thus, it is found that combining the features described in the two Cited Literature to arrive at the invention of the present application is something that could be easily accomplished by a person skilled in the art.

Moreover, language suggesting joint purchasing can be found in Cited Literature 2 ((0076)).

If any reasons for rejection are newly discovered, a Notification of Reasons for Rejection will be issued.

List of Cited Literature

1. Tsuyoshi Otake, (New Service) Joint purchasing site — Strength in attracting customers and high volume sales — Stir up the desire to buy with a sense of play, Nikkei Net Business, Nikkei BP-Sha, 15 September 2000, No. 63, pages 110-113.
2. Japanese Unexamined Patent Application Publication 2000-57214

Record of Prior Art Literature Search Results

- Fields searched IPC 7th Edition G06F17/60-19/00
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- Prior Art Literature

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